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# FFMI TENETS OF FAITH

**Fresh Fire Ministries International** is a prophetic and apostolic Full Gospel Ministry.

We believe that the Bible rightly divides the word of truth and is our rule of faith and practice.

We believe in the deity of Jesus Christ – that He was born of the Virgin Mary, was crucified and resurrected to justify us of our sins.

We believe in water baptism by immersion in water.

We believe that the Bible was written by inspired men of God and is the revealed word of God to man.

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We believe in the Five Fold Ministry – that the Church should operate and be led by Apostles, Prophets, Evangelists, Pastors and Teachers.

We believe in miracles and divine healing.

We believe in the Millennial Reign of Christ.

We believe in the Final Judgment.



# THE WORD IN REVIEW

## Be Careful, All Is Not What it Seems

Sunday June 11, 2023



### What is a viper?

A viper is a venomous snake. Jesus, in Matt 23:33 referred to some persons as serpents/vipers.

*Ye serpents, ye generation of vipers, how can ye escape the damnation of hell?*

He was speaking to the Pharisees ( a Jewish sect, distinguished by strict observance of the traditional and written law.) and Sadducees (a party of high priests, aristocratic families, and merchants; the wealthier elements of the population.)

The viper is sometimes referred to a "**Spanish machete**"; sharpened on two sides - double tongue, hypocrite, quick to judge and false in their teaching - poisoning our spirits. All of us at some point will encounter these vipers, however, when we do encounter them, we must shake them off.

Acts 27 speaks of a journey that Paul went on en-route to Italy. When they landed at Lycia, Julius, a centurion that was with them found an Alexandrian ship sailing for Italy.

*We made slow headway for many days... When the wind did not allow us to hold our course,... We moved along the coast with difficulty... Much time had been lost, and sailing had already become dangerous... So Paul warned them, "Men, I can see that our voyage is going to be disastrous and bring great loss to ship and cargo, and to our own lives also.(vv. 8-10)*

Be careful of the ships (courtship, relationship, marriage, friendship ect) that you enter, God will always warn us when we are in the path of danger. The viper will discredit that warning and try to derail us and cause us to continue down a disastrous path that will bring great loss. But the word of God says:

Rom 8:35-39

*Who (vipers) shall separate us from the love of Christ? shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? Nay, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him that loved us. For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come, Nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.*

Matt 23:33  
Acts 27:7-10  
Acts 28:1-3  
Rom 8:35-39

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## Romans 10:2

For I bear them record that they have a zeal of God but not according to knowledge.

As many as I love, I rebuke and chasten, be zealous and repent.

Revelation 3:19

I decree and declare that we shall be kindly affectioned one to another with brotherly love. We shall not be slothful, we shall be fervent in spirit serving the Lord. Romans 12:10-11

I decree and declare that as we have the zeal to serve the Lord, we shall let our conversations be as the gospel of Christ. We shall stand fast in one spirit, with one mind striving together for the faith of the gospel of Christ.

Philippians 1:27

I decree and declare that as we continue in the zeal to worship God, we shall not be weary in well doing, for in due season we shall reap if we do not faint.

Galatians 6:9

I decree and declare that the zeal of the house of the Lord shall consume us and we shall not be ashamed for your name; Jesus Christ of Nazareth.

Psalm 69:6, 9

I decree and declare that as the zeal of the house of the Lord consumes us, we shall repent of our sins; lies, murder idolatry, fornication, adultery drunkenness and return unto our first love before its too late. There will come a day when God will send a famine in the land. This shall not be a famine of bread nor water but of the word of God. He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit of the Lord saith in Jesus name.

Amen.

Amos 8:11; Revelation 2:5, 7; Galatians 5:19, 20



## Credit Cards

Credit cards are neither good nor bad; they are inanimate objects. It is the way we use them that matters. If you use your CC and do not pay then you accrue interest on the principal that you will have to pay. CC is always debt, whether you pay it off one minute or 20 days after usage. So you need to ensure that you manage this debt properly to not allow unwanted interest.

### Benefits of CC are:

1. Be used to build credit history for future loan/ mortgage applications.
2. Receive cash back on your purchases which can be redeemed for other uses.
3. Unauthorized charge protection.
4. CC can be used to track your expenses for financial analysis.
5. Used in case of Emergencies. (However, if you are not able to pay by the due date then I suggest not using a CC)

### Do not get a CC if you:

1. Have bad spending habits.
2. Do not have an income (very little income).
3. Do not believe in paying debts.
4. Have a lot of existing debt.
5. Are not on a budget.
6. Do not understand how credit works.

**Exodus 22:14** – If anything is borrowed, it should be paid back.

**Proverbs 37:21** – The wicked borrows but does not pay back...

*By MIT. Donrossi Simpson*

# WEALTH



## John 3:16

For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

My garden is a place of memories.

Sister Brown was a slim elderly lady who walked everywhere in the community. One day she gave me a sprig of flowers to plant in my garden called ten o'clock. Sis Brown is in heaven now but her gift of flowers is still here. They are symbols of strength. They refuse to die, they just keep bouncing back.

As we pass through this life may we be remembered for our little acts of kindness. A giving heart is precious to God. He gave us JESUS His only beloved Son. We are saved today because of His gift.

What do you have to give today? Some breadfruit, ackees, bananas, mangoes, or plant suckers, or maybe it is your time. Stop and share with someone, give a hug or a smile. A friendly hello and a wave, or comfort in times of sorrow. It could be a financial gift. Please do not forget the gift of prayer. It knows no boundaries and is available with no time constraints.

Only you and God can decide. The Holy Spirit will lead and guide you daily. Your job is to be receptive to Him and in obedience take action. We all have different gifts and God knows who to lay on your heart in answer to someone's prayer or need.

Memories are created daily with little acts of kindness and they will last a lifetime. What will you be remembered for? What gift are you willing to give to God? Give it with a willing heart.

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*By Grace Beckett*



## The Cock & the Fox

One bright evening as the sun was sinking on a glorious world a wise old Cock flew into a tree to roost. Before he composed himself to rest, he flapped his wings three times and crowed loudly. But just as he was about to put his head under his wing, his beady eyes caught a flash of red and a glimpse of a long pointed nose, and there just below him stood Master Fox.

"Have you heard the wonderful news?" cried the Fox in a very joyful and excited manner.

"What news?" asked the Cock very calmly. But he had a queer, fluttery feeling inside him, for, you know, he was very much afraid of the Fox.

"Your family and mine and all other animals have agreed to forget their differences and live in peace and friendship from now on forever. Just think of it! I simply cannot wait to embrace you! Do come down, dear friend, and let us celebrate the joyful event."

"How grand!" said the Cock. "I certainly am delighted at the news." But he spoke in an absent way, and stretching up on tip-toes, seemed to be looking at something afar off.



"What is it you see?" asked the Fox a little anxiously.

"Why, it looks to me like a couple of Dogs coming this way. They must have heard the good news and—"

But the Fox did not wait to hear more. Off he started on a run.

"Wait," cried the Cock. "Why do you run? The Dogs are friends of yours now!"

"Yes," answered the Fox. "But they might not have heard the news. Besides, I have a very important errand that I had almost forgotten about."

The Cock smiled as he buried his head in his feathers and went to sleep, for he had succeeded in outwitting a very crafty enemy.

*The trickster is easily tricked.*



## God is the reason for our success

*I am reminded of Philippians 4:13 which states, "I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me."*

This came at a time when I was being doubtful about a school activity. Doubts include but are not limited to, "Did I answer the questions how the teacher wanted it or Did I use the right words in responding?"

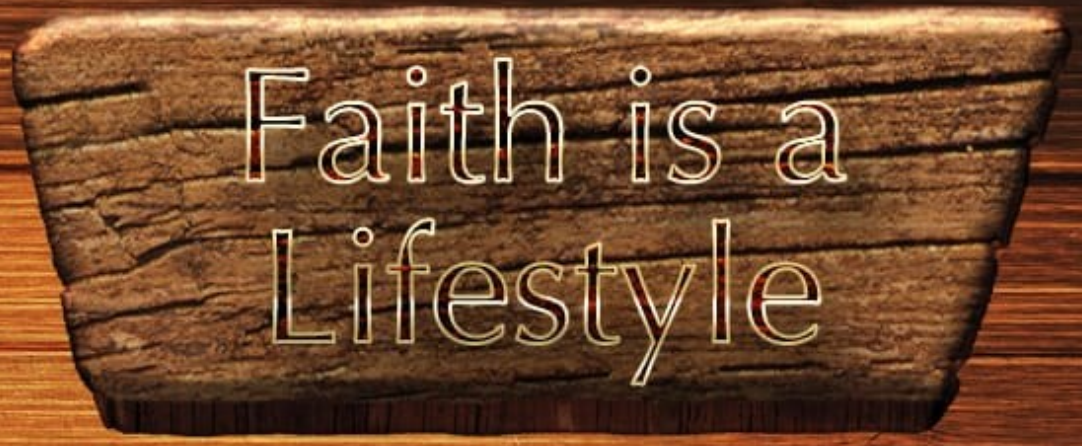
A week after the activity was marked, I finally checked and realized that I was worried for no reason. The next day, I said to a co-worker that I am proud of myself for doing well. I was praising myself, forgetting God helped me through it. Shortly after, I was feeling uncomfortable in my spirit because God was left out. Recognizing what I have done, I went back to her and told her that God is the reason for my success.

Of course, it wasn't easy but I prayed for strength and courage before I could do it.

You might be nervous or shy to tell others the reason for your success but God will strengthen us as we seek to do what is right. Due to His favour upon us, we need not fear.

*By MIT. Charmaine Thomas*





# Health & Fitness

## Faith Lifestyle

It's another great day to give thanks unto the King of Kings and the Lord of Lords!! He is the Alpha and Omega! In Him there's victory, deliverance and strength! You may have big obstacles in your path that you can't overcome on your own but guess what, you're not on your own, you have the most powerful force in the universe on your side. When He speaks, things happen. When you're in a situation that seems impossible, instead of being discouraged, get ready, you're in perfect position for God to show up in your life.

Sometimes we go through things we just don't understand but through it all, keep your faith and trust that God is in control, even when life is not going the way you planned or hoped.

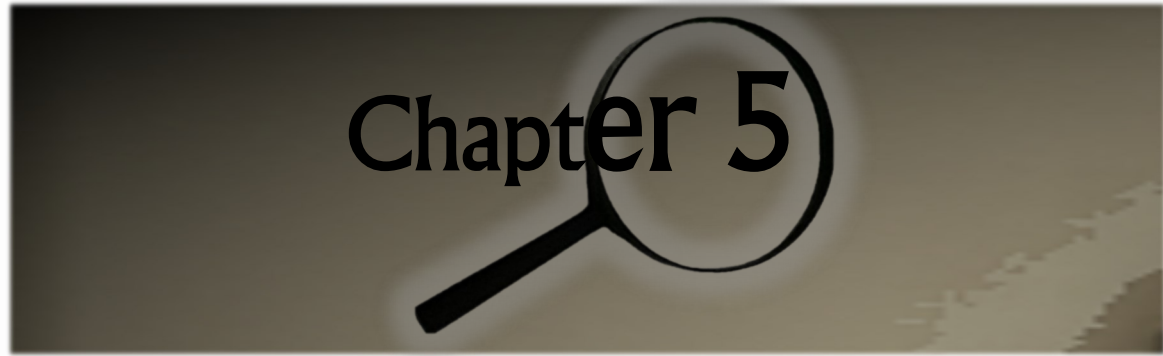
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# Genesis—A Closer Look



## The Bible

This chapter gives the contrast of God's line through Seth with that of Satan's through Cain [chap 4].

*Verse 1:* The generations of Adam.

*Verse 3:* The two likenesses, God's (v. 1) and Adam's.

*Verses 3-32:* Genealogy of Adam through Seth to Noah.

The monotony is broken in Enoch (vv. 22-24) and Noah (vv. 28-32).

Generally speaking, there are two kinds of genealogies linear and segmented. A linear genealogy traces the history of a people to a particular goal, person or office.

For example, the extended genealogy of 1 Chr. 1-9 highlights the royal line of David, among other things.

By contrast, a segmented genealogy shows how various social groups are related. For example, Gen 25:1-4 gives the names of Abraham's son through his wife Keturah, believed to be the ancestors of some of the Arabian tribes. The Jews often shorten their genealogies (Matt. 1) so long as the connection is clearly maintained.



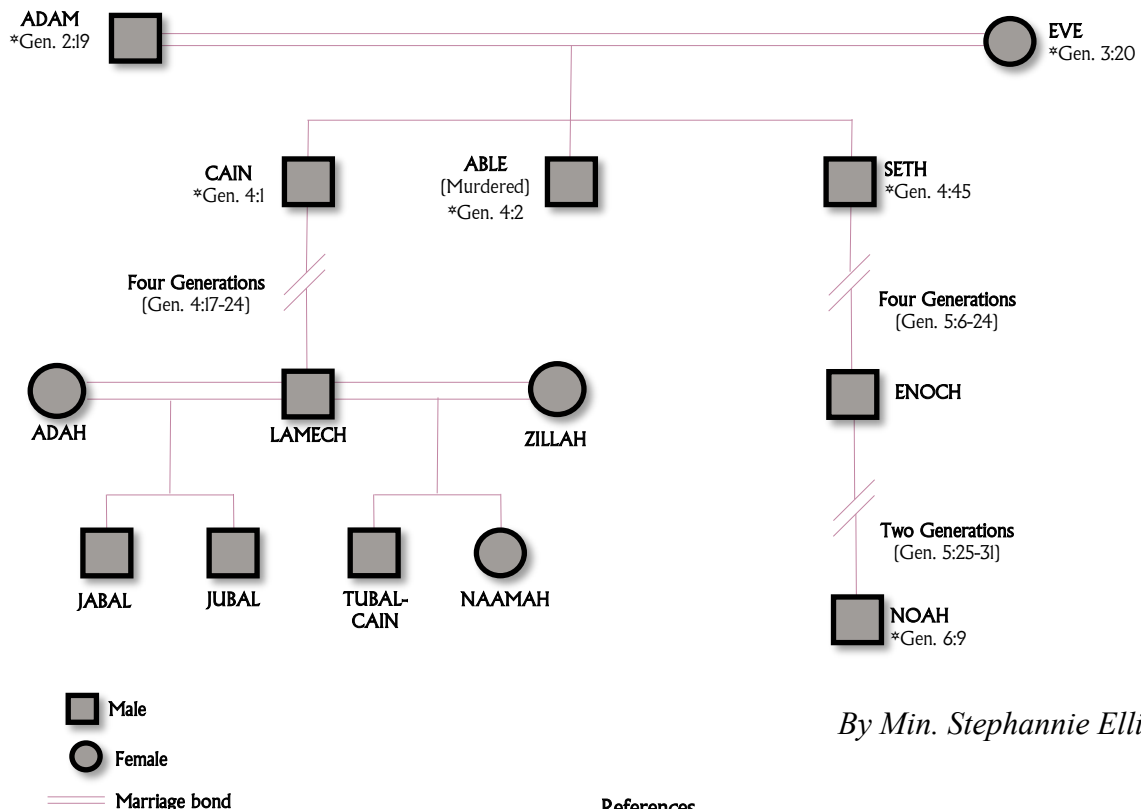
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Some readers are tempted to skip over genealogies as if they were inconsequential, but that would be a mistake. The genealogies of scripture serve several important purposes. Some of them trace the ancestry of important people in the narrative (v. 5:1). Others show the links between the people and the nations of the world (gen 10:1), and others reveal God's sovereign plan at work down through generations (Ruth 4:18-22).

**Verses 22-24:** Enoch is one of the only two men who are recorded as having "walked with God" (6:9). Enoch stands for fellowship with God, our highest privilege.

**Verses 28-32:** Lamech's faith and hope.

Noah suggests "rest" and "comfort," the two vital blessings of our lives (Matt 11:28-30).



*By Min. Stephanie Ellis*

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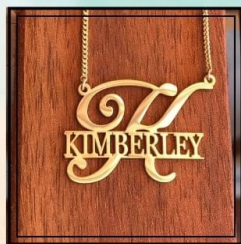
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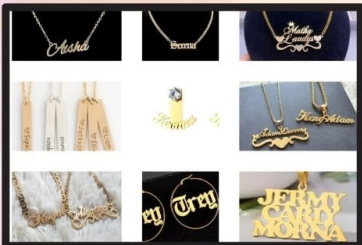
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